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Tougher Lockdown

ORDER IN FORCE
From May 29 till June 7

JURISDICTION
Mysuru District and City

ESSENTIALS PURCHASE
Monday & Thursday only

SHOPPING WINDOW
From 6 am to 12 noon

10-day rule at a glance

- **Exempted:** Standalone milk booths, medical services, HOPCOMS outlets, Fair Price Shops
- Banks and insurance open on Monday and Thursday from 8 am to 12 noon
- Only goods vehicles and medical supplies vehicles will be permitted
- Violators to be booked by Cops under Disaster Management Act and IPC

City Traffic Police questioning motorists for moving around freely during lockdown hours in city this morning. The Cops checked the identity cards of the motorists to ascertain their nature of work before letting them go.

Mysuru, May 27 (BCT)- With Mysuru not seeing any respite in mounting COVID-19 cases despite the slashing of RT-PCR testing by half and in spite of State Government's lockdown decision, Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri, in her capacity of District Magistrate and the Chairman of District Disaster Management Authority, has further tightened the lockdown by allowing only two days a week — Monday and Thursday — to purchase essential commodities from 6 am to 12 noon.

This order will be implemented from May 29 (Saturday) till June 7 (Monday), 6 am. Even banks and insurance sectors have been allowed to function on Monday and Thursday from 8 am to 12 noon.

The orders were passed by the DC this morning, with the powers bestowed under Disaster Management Act 2005. Standalone milk booths, medical services, HOPCOMS outlets and Fair Price Shops have been exempted from this rule. The rest remains closed. The entire district, including the city limits, will be bound under the order.

During the period of restriction, only goods vehicles and medical supplies vehicles will be permitted entry and exit and all other vehicles have been barred from getting onto the roads. Violators of lockdown rules will be punished under the relevant provisions of Disaster Management Act 2005 and Indian Penal Code (IPC), the DC said in her order.

The decision to enforce stricter lockdown comes in the wake of Mysuru witnessing over 2,500 COVID positive cases per day and yesterday, it reported 2,792 cases. The city alone contributed 1,752 cases. Even the death rate has increased with a daily average of more than 13 persons dying. Yesterday as per the media bulletin released by the District Administration, 14 persons lost their lives.

Taluks too have been reporting a steady number of cases with Mysuru Taluk yesterday reporting 389 cases, H.D. Kote reporting 71, Hunsur 119, K.R. Nagar 138, Nanjangud 106, Periyapatna 120 and T. Narasipur reporting 97 positive cases.

The DC's order mentions that the tougher measures have been taken to break the COVID chain and to control the surging cases. The decision has been taken after obtaining the feedback from District Task Force, Taluk Task Force and also reports from Tahsildars. The consensus was to restrict all the other services except essential services and also to allow essential purchase only for two days a week, Rohini Sindhuri stated in her order.

(See LOCKDOWN on page 6)

Food parcel service can continue but...

exercise restraint if you can: DC

Mysuru, May 27 (RK&BCT)- Parcel services from hotels, restaurants, eateries and door-to-door delivery can continue even between May 29 and June 7 where the District Administration has imposed tighter curbs.

Meanwhile, Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri, speaking to *Star of Mysore,* said that while restaurant kitchens can function and parcel deliveries can continue, she requested the people to refrain from ordering food from outside just for a few days and if possible, cook at home itself as the aim of this tougher lockdown was to reduce movement of people and interaction which would inturn bring down the COVID positive cases. She further added saying that this was only a request to the public and the restaurant owners and not an order.

The DC also said that industries that are mandatory to operate will be allowed to function and the rest will be closed.

(See PARCEL on page 6)

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STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Thursday 27th May 2021

Covishield + Covaxin

Villagers get mixed shots in UP Govt. Hospital

Siddharthnagar (UP), May 27- A group of villagers was given mixed doses of vaccines at a Government Hospital in Uttar Pradesh in an incident that an officer blames on "oversight." Around 20 villagers in Siddharthnagar district near the border with Nepal were given both Covaxin and Covishield. Officials claim no one has faced any adverse health effects and those responsible will be punished.

The shocker took place at a Primary Health Centre (PHC) in the largely rural district around 270 km from State capital Lucknow. The villagers were injected with Covishield in the first week of April and then given Covaxin as their second dose on May 14.

"This is definitely an oversight. There are no instructions from the Government to administer a cocktail of vaccines. So it is an oversight. We had ordered an enquiry and have got the report. I have asked for an explanation from those who are guilty. We will take whatever action is possible," said Sandeep Chaudhary, Chief Medical Officer of Siddharthnagar.

While the effectiveness or impact of mixing vaccines is still a subject of global research, the official claimed none of the villagers had suffered any adverse effects from the "oversight".

"Our teams have spoken to everyone and have met all those who were mistakenly administered the second dose. They are all healthy and not facing any problems," Chaudhary said.

But at least one of the villagers who received the mixed shots told the media no one from the Health Department had come to check on them. "I found out later that I had been administered Covaxin. A doctor told us that something wrong had happened," Ram Surat, an elderly man, told reporters.

The villager said he was scared about the fallout of these doses. "I got the first dose of Covishield on April 1, the second vaccine was administered on May 14. When I went for my second dose, no one bothered to check anything. In place of Covishield I got Covaxin. It is scary. I am worried... no one has come to follow up," Ram Surat said.

Uttar Pradesh's pace of vaccination is among the lowest in the country, especially counting only big States. For example, only 1.4 percent of the total population has been fully vaccinated compared to more than double that all-India and six percent in places like Gujarat and Kerala. While the State has administered 1.75 crore vaccine doses in three months, the number of fully-vaccinated people in the State is just 33 lakhs, 1.8 percent of UP's massive 23 crore-plus population.

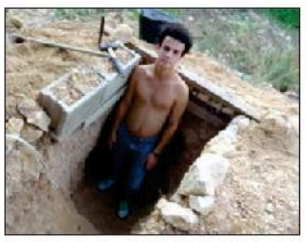
EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

With Narendra Modi's style of governance coming to be largely associated with chest-thumping histrionics, it's increasingly getting difficult for him to rein in rivals who are equally good at the art of histrionics be it Mamata Banerjee in Bengal or Kejriwal in Delhi. It goes without saying that competitive theatrics practised in the name of politics has left people ruined. Kejriwal has now started to counsel people on the medication for black fungus infection. He should not be doing this as jugaad (makeshift) therapy for COVID patients has largely been at the root of this new ailment.

The issue has been flagged by a much respected faculty of the prestigious All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Professor Uma Kumar, who has even asked, "Is this COVID playing with the immunity to invite mucormycosis or is it due to the use of industrial oxygen?"After the human catastrophe, which has left no one untouched, the leaders for once could be honest and atone for the man-made calamity rather than playing out one act after another on the political stage. — *Sidharth Mishra in The New Indian Express*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Teen digs cave after fight with parents



Alicante: A teenager, who wanted to let off steam after fighting with his parents six years ago, has dug an underground cave in his backyard.

Andres Canto was 14 when he first headed into his backyard in Alicante, Spain, with a pickaxe, following an argument with his parents. They wouldn't let him go put into town wearing a track suit, so he decided to stay home and let off some steam by digging a hole.

The thing he hadn't planned one was enjoying digging as much as he did. Andres found that he loved coming back to his growing hole every evening after classes and expanding it little by little. He eventually brought a friend to help him with the digging and together they have turned the hole into an impressive cave.

Man fasts for 33 days to win a Lamborghini

Bindura: A man, who became convinced that God would grant him a Lamborghini sports car if he fasted for 40 consecutive days and nights almost died after shunning food for a whopping 33 days.

Mark Muradzira, a Youth Leader of the Risen Saints Church in Bindura, Zimbabwe, recently decided to put God's generosity to the test by asking for a Lamborghini sports car. Somehow, the 27-year-old man became convinced that the Almighty would grant his wish if he fasted for 40 days and 40 nights, so he isolated himself in a remote mountain area to prevent being tempted by food.

The unemployed man had opted for the extreme and bizarre way of obtaining a Lamborghini because he was unemployed and was unable to spend upwards of 200,000 dollars on a new one. However, he was determined to offer his girlfriend her dream car, and fasting was the only affordable way to do it.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Want to know what are nutrition rich food for your child? On a daily basis include the following food in their diet: cereals and pulses, non-vegetarian food, vegetables and fruits, one tablespoon of ghee/oil/butter. Make sure that you introduce one food at a time.

By Kavya J. - Department of Nutrition & Dietetics

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COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

DATES	MAY 25	MAY 26
Day's Positive Cases	2,241	2,792
Total Positive Cases	1,31,656	1,34,448
Day's Discharges	2,545	1,301
Total Discharges	1,14,998	1,16,299
Day's Deaths	17	14
Total Deaths	1,524	1,538
Total Active Cases	15,134	16,611

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

Online coaching for CA Foundation Course

Mysuru, May 27 - The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) has announced online coaching for students who have enrolled for CA Foundation Course. Chartered Accountants. Subject matter experts from all over India will be taking the online classes from June 9 and is expected to finish by October 2021.

Students planning to appear for the CA Foundation exams in November 2021 and students who are appearing for their 12th standard exams can benefit.

Free coaching will be provided for students of Government and Government-aided Colleges. Classes will be held on all days of the week between 6 am and 8 am and between 6 pm and 9 pm. Interested students may write to: raghunandan.fca@gmail.com or call Pradeep on Mob: 74118 20079. For registrations, visit ICAI link https://www.sirc-icai.org/view-batches.php, according to a press release from CA Raghunandan Rao, Secretary, Mysore Branch of SIRC of ICAI.

REALLY...?

- ***Barbie was born on March 9, 1959: Barbie's official birthday represents her public debut at the 1959 American International Toy fair in New York.***
- ***She was created by an engineer who used to work for the Pentagon.***
- ***She was based on an r-rated German doll. Her signature colour, in case you hadn't noticed, is pink. (There is a special Barbie with a dress made out of Pantone swatches)***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Husband and wife are like Liver and Kidney. Husband is Liver and wife is Kidney. If Liver fails, Kidney fails. If Kidney fails, Liver manages with other Kidney!!

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 72.75
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 102.69
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.81
1 Euro	= Rs. 88.70

VOICE OF THE READER

Arrange vaccination for immobile citizens category

Sir,

This has reference to the letter on drive-in or door-to-door vaccination drive by D.V. Mohanprakash *(SOM* dated May 11).

While his suggestion was to avoid overcrowding in vaccination centres (now that it is open for all age groups above 18 years), this arrangement will in a great way also help the elderly citizens who are not very mobile.

Ever since the vaccination drive started in India for 60 years and above, I have been seeking help to get my elderly (octogenarian and septuagenarian) parents vaccinated, but it seems the Government has not considered citizens in this category who are totally immobile or have other genuine difficulties to reach to a hospital to have the shots.

Enquiries with old age homes also unfortunately gave negative results. Considering that this group is the most vulnerable with compromised immunity and co-morbidities, it will do good for the District Administration to make some arrangement to protect them.

While they are certainly not the vibrant community for the nation, they are still the loved parents of many of us and we cannot compromise them at any cost.

I hope we will have the District Administration or the MCC look into this request favourably, at the earliest possible.

—Malathi Srinivasan
Mysuru
25.5.2021

City Top Cop inaugurates Isolation Centre for Police personnel at Horse Park

Mysuru, May 27 (RK&KS)- City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta yesterday inaugurated 'Hayagreeva Suraksha Kendra,' an Isolation Centre for Police personnel with mild symptoms at the Horse Park, foot of Chamundi Hill in city.

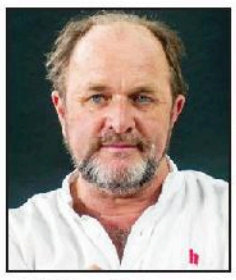
The Top Cop said that the Isolation Centre is a 20-bed facility, which includes 13 general and seven oxygenated beds. The centre is opened in association with JSS Hospital to provide treatment to Police personnel and family members with mild COVID symptoms.

Nurses from JSS Hospital will manage the centre and free food will be provided to the patients here, Dr. Chandragupta added.

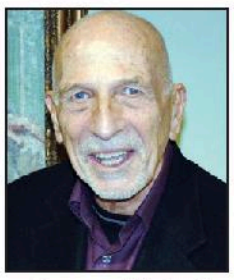
JSS Hospital Director Col. Dr. M. Dayanand, DCPs Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda, M.S. Geetha Prasanna and Shivaraju, Mounted Police Commandant M.G. Nagaraju were present.

Webinar tomorrow

'Discovering the Deccan - From Malabar to Coromandel'



William Dalrymple



George Michell

Helen Philon

DHF Founder Helen Philon to be in conversation with historians William Dalrymple and George Michell

Mysuru, May 27- As part of their second season of webinars on 'Deccan Heritage, Art and Culture,' Deccan Heritage Foundation (DHF), the Centre for Islamic Studies, University of Cambridge and the His Highness Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar Foundation have jointly organised 'Discovering the Deccan - From Malabar to Coromandel: In Conversation with William Dalrymple and George Michell' at 5.30 pm on May 28.

The Founder-Trustee of DHF, Helen Philon, engages in a conversation with author and historian, William Dalrymple and architectural historian and DHF Trustee, George Michell, on what it is that entices them to the Deccan region, about why it continues to keep their curiosities piqued and has led them to dedicate decades long careers on studying it.

PROFILES

William Dalrymple is a Scottish travel writer and historian, whose work centres chiefly on the Indian subcontinent. His first book in 1990s, 'In Xanadu: A Quest', was an account of his journey from Jerusalem to Mongolia, travelling in the footsteps of Marco Polo. Dalrymple followed this up in 1994 with a biography of Delhi, where he had been living for the past five years, called 'City of Djinns,' before producing his most-acclaimed piece of travel writing, 'From the Holy Mountain.'

Since 1999, he has concentrated on detailed histories of the Indian subcontinent and, in particular, the Mughal empire. 'White Mughals' was published in 2003, with 'The Last Mughal' following three years later. His latest book is 'The Anarchy,' a history of the East India Company.

George Michell obtained his Ph.D from the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, for his dissertation on Early Chalukya temple architecture. During the 1980s and 1990s, he and Dr. John M. Fritz co-directed an extensive survey of Hampi-Vijayanagara.

To register for the discussion, log on to : https://www.deccanheritagefoundation.uk/events/webinars/registration; For more details, visit: www.deccanheritagefoundation.uk

L&T Technology Services starts COVID Isolation Centre for staff in Mysuru

Lakshmanan

Mysuru, May 27 (BCT)- L&T Technology Services (LTTS) Limited has set up a COVID Isolation Centre in Mysuru for its employees. It has also opened a similar facility in Bengaluru. The centre in Mysuru is fully operational and available to take care of employees and their families who exhibit mild symptoms or are suspected to be COVID positive, a statement said.

The facility is equipped with 20 beds and 5 doctors on rotation as well as support staff round-the-clock on duty. Called the LTTS Isolation Centre, the facility is equipped to provide essential care facilities while operating under the purview and guidelines set by the Indian Government, ICMR and WHO, it added.

The initiative includes services such as 24x7 ambulance service, 24x7 nursing, doctor and paramedic support and OPD for confirmed asymptomatic patients. The company has partnered with Allied Core Healthcare Services for the initiative. The centre will stock oxygen cylinders and oxygen concentrators for use in the facility.

The centre will treat COVID-positive patients with mild symptoms medically as in-patient as per COVID protocols, and RT-PCR test will be offered for COVID suspect cases in the Isolation Centre, the statement said. HRCT — chest/thorax test and other diagnostic tests will be organised in nearby hospitals and laboratories and the cost will be borne by the company. Rapid test can be offered for COVID suspected cases in the isolation centre during treatment and the company will bear the costs. This centre will help co-ordinate with specialist doctors or hospitals for admission to the best of their efforts based on availability.

"The safety and well-being of our employees is our utmost priority, as we navigate the on-going second wave. During times such as this, when both misinformation and lack of readily available medical facilities are impacting many, LTTS Isolation Centre is aimed to offer primary care and safe confinement for employees and their families," LTTS Chief Human Resources Officer M. Lakshmanan said.

ADGP issues instructions on jobs on compassionate grounds

Dr. Saleem

Mysuru, May 27- With COVID fatalities among Policemen on the rise, ADGP (Administration) Dr. M.A. Saleem has instructed Department officials to send applications seeking jobs on compassionate grounds, in accordance with 35-point check list laid out by the Department.

In a circular issued recently, the ADGP said that many applications seeking jobs on compassionate grounds upon death of serving cop are found to be either incomplete or inaccurate. This has resulted in unnecessary delay of scrutiny of applications. As such, the authorities should thoroughly scrutinise the documents in accordance with the issued guidelines and check list before forwarding them to Central Office, the circular said.

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0821 - 2957811
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94498 - 41196
0821 - 2418800

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2420112/113
0821 - 2330803
0821 - 2331803

MANDYA
08232 - 224248

District War Room
08232 - 229393

Maddur Taluk
08232 - 232010

Malavalli Taluk
08231 - 242277

Srirangapatna Taluk
08236 - 252029

Pandavapura Taluk
08236 - 255128

Nagamangala Taluk
08234 - 285045

K.R. Pet Taluk
08230 - 262227

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COVID Hospital
08272 - 220606

District Helpline
08272 - 221077

Madikeri
08272 - 228396

Virajpet / Ponnampet
08274 - 256328

Somarpet
08276 - 282045

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08229 - 222225

Yelandur Taluk
08226 - 240029

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MLC Vishwanath regrets bringing BJP to power in State

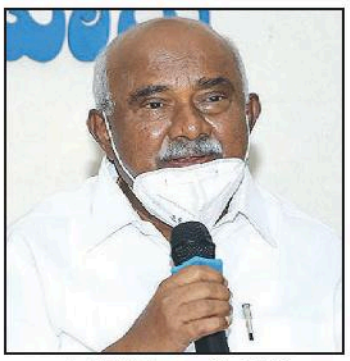
Questions dual policy of his own party leaders

Mysuru, May 27 (MTY&DM)- Stating that he was regretful for having brought the BJP to power in Karnataka, BJP MLC A.H.Vishwanath said that the State Cabinet which is scheduled to meet today (May 27), should not give nod for selling of 3,667 acres of land at Ballari worth thousands of crores of rupees to Jindal Steel company at a throwaway price.

Speaking to presspersons here yesterday, Vishwanath, current BJP MLC and a former JD(S) MLA, who was one among the JD(S) and Congress MLAs who defected to the BJP in 2019 leading to the collapse of the then JD(S)-Congress coalition Government, said that the BJP Government should not sell the land to Jindal Steel Company for any reason.

Vishwanath questioned Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa's sudden change of stance as BSY, when as Opposition leader during the JD(S)-Congress coalition Government, had severely opposed the selling of land.

Arguing that the Government can renew the lease of land if at all it wanted, he asserted that the Government should not sell



A.H. Vishwanath, MLC

the land when the market value of the land stands at thousands of crores of rupees.

Reacting to reports on change of leadership in the State, Vishwanath said that it is left to the Party High Command to decide on the issue.

Rs.10,000 package

Contending that extension of the lockdown will badly affect the working class, which is already reeling under loss of jobs and income, the MLC said that the Government should announce Rs.10,000 package to each of the labour families if it decides to extend the lockdown.

He also expressed displeasure at the way the Government is handling the COVID -19 crisis.

Referring to the ongoing tussle between political representatives and Mysuru DC, Vishwanath questioned the dual policy of his own party leaders.

Pointing out that those leaders, who are asking the DC to visit villages now for monitoring COVID situation, had earlier prevented the DC from visiting the villages under DC's 'Village Stay' initiative just before the second wave of COVID, Vishwanath questioned the motives of leaders who are now up against the DC and urging her to visit villages. He also asked people's representatives and his fellow party leaders to stop causing differences among the District Officials.

Arguing that the huge gatherings like the one of farmers at the vegetable wholesale market along M.G. Road is the main reason for spread of the deadly pandemic in villages, he wondered what the City Police Commissioner, the MCC Commissioner and other top officials were doing to check such large congregation of people.

Claiming that the District-level COVID-19 Task Force has no validity sans any official notification, he questioned the propriety of leaving out the DC from the Task Force. Continuing, Vishwanath questioned whether it was right to nominate only members of a single party for COVID Care Centres (CCCs).

Noting that the District Administration was forced to close some CCCs due to stiff opposition, he said that he cannot understand why District Minister S.T. Somashekar lauded K.R. Nagar JD(S) MLA S.R. Mahesh during his recent visit to K.R. Nagar, when earlier, Mahesh had sarcastically questioned the existence of the District Minister.

Pointing out that Prime Minister Modi during a video conference with DCs of COVID- affected districts last week had given all powers to the DCs to tackle COVID crisis, Vishwanth said it must be noted here that the District Minister concept is probably existent only in our State, while the DCs are the supreme authority of a District in most of the other States.

High Court annuls election of Mayor Rukmini Madegowda as Corporator

Mysuru, May 27 (DM)- In a huge setback for Mysuru Mayor Rukmini Madegowda of the JD(S), the Karnataka High Court on Wednesday upheld the Mysuru District Court's judgement annulling her election in the MCC polls held in 2018.

With the High Court annulling her election as Corporator, Rukmini's continuation as Mayor is under cloud. Rukmini was elected City Mayor on Feb.24, 2021.

Rajani Annaiah of the Congress, who lost to Rukmini Madegowda of JD(S) from Ward 36 (Alanahalli) in the 2018 Corporation polls, had filed a petition in the District Court questioning the election of Rukmini. Rajani had accused Rukmini of submitting a false affidavit regarding her assets during the filing of nomination papers.

The Principal District and Sessions Court, which heard Rajani's petition on Dec.14, 2020, annulled the election of Rukmini and also ordered that the petitioner Rajani Annaiah (Congress) be declared the winner. Later, Rukmini filed an appeal in the High Court questioning the Mysuru District Court's order.

A Single Bench of the High

Rukmini Madegowda

Court comprising Justice N.S. Sanjay Gowda, which took up Rukmini's appeal yesterday, upheld the Mysuru Principal District and Sessions Court order annulling the election of Rukmini as Corporator, while also ordering that a fresh election be held for the MCC Ward represented by Rukmini. The HC at the same time also refused to declare Rukmini's opponent Rajani Annaiah of the Congress as the winner from the Ward.

Reacting to the HC's order, Mayor Rukmini Madegowda said that she would consult her lawyer on whether to file a review petition in the High Court or go on an appeal to the Supreme Court questioning the HC's order.

Meanwhile, yesterday's order of the HC has cast doubts on the continuation of Rukmini Madegowda as Mayor. Legal experts opine that Rukmini cannot continue in the post of Mayor after her election as a Corporator has been annulled by the Court.

In case, Rukmini quits her post, the Mayoral polls cannot be held freshly as the term of the Mayor is fixed for one year. However, in the absence of Mayor, the Deputy Mayor can function as Mayor till the election of a new Mayor, which can happen only in Feb. next year. This is perhaps for the first time that the MCC is facing such a piquant situation.

MLA writes letter to CM seeking financial aid for Tourist Guides

Mysuru, May 27(RKB&DM)- With Tourist Guides thrown out of jobs due to COVID induced lockdown, N.R. MLA Tanveer Sait of the Congress party has appealed the Government to come to their rescue by announcing financial aid.

Tanveer Sait

In a letter to the Chief Minister, Tanveer Sait said that thousands of people in the State are dependent on tourism industry and with the closure of all tourist spots, the Tourist Guides are rendered jobless.

Noting that most of the Tourist Guides do not have any other source of income, he said that it has come to his notice that many of them are finding it extremely difficult to eke out a living and meeting their medical expenses.

As such the Government should announce financial assistance to all Tourist Guides registered with the Tourism Department.

Maintaining that the grants announced by the Government to Tourism Department for 2020-21 has been largely unspent so far, he said that the Government can utilise such funds lying unutilised under various schemes of the Department and need not allocate a special grant for announcing financial aid to Tourist Guides.

'Complete vaccination of Forest Dept. personnel at the earliest'

Mysuru, May 27 (MTY& SSV)- The confidence level of Forest Department personnel has hit the rock bottom with no steps for vaccinating them despite death of 20 personnel in last 22 days in the current second wave of COVID-19 pandemic.

In recent vaccination guidelines, the State Government has placed Forest Department personnel in priority list and they will receive the jab after the vaccination of frontline workers which is expected to end by May 31.

An officer of Health Department told *Star of Mysore* that the list of frontline workers and priority group had been prepared by the State Government. Their vaccination will start may be from the first week of June. Even vaccination of family members of health care workers have been temporarily suspended. The Forest Department personnel will be vaccinated when their turn comes.

Dr. K.C. Prashanth Kumar, DCF, Mysuru Division, said an official letter has gone to district vaccination officer regarding the jab for Forest Department staff members. The vaccination is likely to begin in next two or three days. There are 120 staff members in Mysuru Division and efforts are on for their vaccination.

The staff working in lower rank is worried as over 30 personnel who took part in tiger, wild elephant and leopard capture operations, have tested positive and are being treated at the hospital.

Recently, a Range Forest Officer (RFO) succumbed to virus and last week a naturalist, Nagendra (31) attached to Jungle Lodges and Resorts (JLR), died of Corona. These two deaths have caused anxiety among the staff.

They are sore with the Government for neglecting those who were involved in protecting social forest, preventing man-animal conflict and poaching and patrolling day and night to protect flora and fauna. Those who succumbed to virus included RFO, DRF, Guard, Watcher, Mahout, Drivers and Nursery staff.

50% staff yet to be vaccinated

In Bandipur Tiger Reserve, there are 620 permanent and contract workers in 13 Zones of which 320 have been vaccinated. Still 300 persons need to get the jab.

Bandipur Tiger Reserve Director S.R. Natesha has appealed to the Government to consider them as frontline workers and vaccinate them. Due to their inclusion in Priority Group, it was not possible for vaccinating the staff in the age group of 18 to 44 years, he added.

In Nagarahole Tiger Reserve, there are 605 staff members of which 360 have been vaccinated. Director Mahesh said inoculation of staff working in seven out of the eight Zones has been done, and only Hunsur and STPF-Platoon staff are awaiting vaccine. It is likely to take place soon, he added.

Is it possible for them to Work From Home?!

The Corona crisis and resultant Oxygen shortage has made everyone realise the importance of forest conservation. But, the Government seems to be showing negligent attitude towards the Forest Department personnel's welfare. Is it possible for the Forest Department staff to 'Work From Home' using internet? Over 20 Forest Department personnel in the age group of 28-48 years have died in the last 22 days. The Government should stop showing step-mother attitude towards the Forest Department and give preference to vaccinate the Department personnel. Forest Department staff must also be considered as 'Corona Warriors' and provided facilities similar to those given to the Police personnel.

—**M.S. Gururaja Shetty**,
Devaraja Mohalla

Former Taluk Panchayat Member K. Yunus Khan passes away

K.R. Pet, May 27- **K. Yunus Khan** (92), former Taluk Panchayat Member, passed away yesterday.

Elder brother of former Union Minister K. Rahman Khan, Yunus Khan leaves behind a son, two daughters, three brothers including Rahman Khan and former Town Municipal Council (TMC) President K. Gouse Khan and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed in the town yesterday.

Yunus Khan had served as the Member of Taluk Hospital Arogya Raksha Samiti and as Member of College Development Board of Government First Grade College for Women here.

In the 1980s, he was running a handicrafts shop near Jaganmohan Palace in Mysuru city.

Condoled: Minister K.C. Narayanagowda, former MLAs K.B. Chandrashekar and B. Prakash, Founder-Editor of *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra* K.B. Ganapathy, former Karnataka Urban Development Infrastructure Development and Finance Corporation (KUIDFC) Chairman M.D. Krishnamurthy and Block Congress President Kikkeri Suresh have condoled the death of Yunus Khan.

Obituary

Kariappa

Mysuru, May 27- Kariappa (KP), proprietor of Sri Ganesh Transport and a resident of Vidyaranyapuram, passed away this morning at a private hospital in city following brief illness. He was 66.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, one daughter, daughters-in-law, son-in-law and grandchildren. Last rites were held at Jayanagar Burial Grounds here this afternoon.

Vidwan K.S. Venkatachari

Vidwan K.S. Venkatachari, retired Principal and Professor at Grammar Department of Sanskrit Pathshala, passed away in city following brief illness. He was also the Priest at Parakala Mutt.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, one daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren. Last rites were performed at Jayanagar Burial Grounds in city.

Alhaj Mohammed Ilyaz

Alhaj Mohammed Ilyaz (70), Secretary of Masjid-e-Siddiq and Masjid-e-Yaseen and a resident of Siddique Nagar, passed away yesterday at a private hospital in city following brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife, three sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza and burial took place in city, according to family sources.

H. Basappa

H. Basappa (87), retired Assistant Director, Department of Industries and Commerce and a resident of K.R. Mohalla, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, one son, four daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds, according to family sources.

'Take steps to check spread of pandemic in rural areas'

Chamarajanagar, May 27 (SSV)- B.B. Cauvery, Director, Directorate of Municipal Administration, Bengaluru, who is also the Chamarajanagar District in-Charge Secretary, has stressed the need to take strict measures to bring down the number of Corona positive cases and deaths in the district and also to arrange treatment for both symptomatic and asymptomatic patients.

Chairing a meeting to take stock of COVID-19 pandemic here yesterday, she said the people even with mild symptoms must be admitted to hospital immediately so as to start treatment.

Many die as they neglect their health condition and go to doctor when they become serious. It will be difficult for the doctors to save such patients.

Dr. M.R. Ravi

B.B. Cauvery

Private Clinic Doctors must send the patients visiting them with COVID symptoms to the Government Hospitals to get tested for COVID. Those doctors who will not do so and continue treatment at the initial stages and later send critical patients to Government Hospitals must be considered seriously and warned, she said. Expressing her concern over the virus spreading to rural areas, Cauvery directed officers to step up COVID tests in rural areas for the early detection and treatment of infected people.

The District Administration has launched lots of campaigns in rural areas to make people aware about the importance of following the safety protocol to avoid from contracting the virus. The COVID positive patients must be identified and admitted to COVID Care Centres at the earliest.

Deputy Commissioner Dr. M.R. Ravi said that house-to-house survey has been launched to identify people suffering from SARI and ILI and shift them to hospital for treatment. There are possibilities of Corona cases to emerge after the survey is complete. Hence, there must be constant watch to avoid spreading the pandemic.

COVID-19 violations

532 vehicles seized in two days

Mysuru, May 27 (KS)- Intensifying their operation against COVID-19 guidelines violators, the Mysuru City Police, who are keeping vigil over unnecessary movement of people and vehicles by conducting checking at various places across the city, have seized a total of 532 vehicles, which were found flouting the rules on May 25 and 26.

While 254 vehicles, including 244 two-wheelers, seven cars and three autorickshaws were seized yesterday (May 26), a total of 278 vehicles, which included 265 two-wheelers, nine cars and four autorickshaws, were seized on May 25.

The seized vehicles are now in

the custody of Police and would be released after lockdown ends. Vehicle owners should produce relevant documents of the vehicle, pay the fine and get their vehicles released.

City Top Cop Dr. Chandragupta has urged the public not to venture out of their houses during lockdown besides urging them to co-operate with the Police.

Vaccination for street vendors begins at Town Hall

Mysuru, May 27 (MTY&SSV)- Vaccination for street vendors, who are registered and have Identity Card from Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), began at Town Hall this morning.

The State Government has categorised street vendors as Frontline Workers in its recent guidelines for vaccinations. Accordingly, the drive was launched by MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag. As many as 1,856 vendors have been registered and issued ID by the Corporation. These vendors are spread across nine Zones in city. The beneficiaries are in the age group of 18 to 44 years.

MCC Additional Deputy Commissioner N. Shashikumar and Nodal Officer J.S. Bhyralingaiah, Environmental Officer Maitri and others were present.

Jab for specially abled at Govt. School for the Blind

Mysuru, May 27 (SSV)- The ongoing vaccination for the physically challenged in the age group of 18 to 44 years and their parents will be held at the Government School for the Blind, Tilak Nagar, in city, till tomorrow.

In a press release, The Department for the Welfare of Specially Abled persons District Officer said that senior citizens and specially challenged above 45 years of age may get vaccinated at Charaka Hospital or District Hospital by following safety protocol such as wearing mask and maintaining social distance. Vaccine will be administered free of cost.

Anxious public throng RT-PCR testing sites in city

Mysuru, May 27 (MTY&SSV)- Serpentine queues are witnessed at various RT-PCR testing sites in city in the wake of ever-increasing Corona positive cases and deaths in district.

The panicked public are standing in long queues in front of Town Hall, near Chikka Gadiyara (Dufferin Clock Tower) and Makkala Koota since morning to get themselves tested.

People are coming to these sites as early as 7 am to stand in queue though the testing will start at 10.30 am.

To avoid crowding, token system has been introduced at these three centres. Accordingly, 150 tokens are issued at Town Hall and 200 each in Chikka Gadiyara centre and Makkala Koota. Others were sent back to come next day.

WHY RUSH

Earlier, around 7,000 to 8000 RT-PCR tests were conducted in city daily with people getting tested no matter whether they got symptoms or not. This was delaying issuing test results report to both asymptomatic and symptomatic people.

To avoid this, the District Administration has capped the number of tests to 3,500 per day. With reduction in RT-PCR test by 50 percent, the citizens were now rushing to testing sites for getting themselves tested. This has resulted in crowding of people at these centres.

Tougher Lockdown

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The Police have been asked to make announcements at all public places and vantage points to publicise this order and also warn the public that violators will be punished under the provisions of law.

District Minister appeals for co-operation

Mysuru District Minister S.T. Somashekar has appealed to the people of the district to comply with the DC's order. In a message from Bengaluru, the Minister said that these restrictions allowing only two-day purchase window from 6 am to 12 noon was inevitable in the wake of surging COVID cases.

"It has become compelling for the administration to impose tougher restrictions till June 7. If the present number of cases keeps increasing, it will be difficult for the administration to manage and the situation will go out of hand. It is out of public interest such a decision has been taken," he said.

Somashekar has appealed to the people to maintain decorum while purchasing goods on Monday and Thursday and asked them not to crowd the markets in the name of purchasing. "Gathering of a large number of people at any given purchase place to indulge in panic buying will spoil all the efforts of the administration to control the disease and one must maintain social distancing and wear masks," he added.

Food parcel service can continue

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"This next week is critical to bring down the Total Positivity Rate which is hovering above 2,500 to 2,700 now. Ask yourself, if you have to compulsorily open then follow the State Government guidelines. If you can close for a week, please do so. I can only request," the DC said.

The case load seems to show no signs of respite. "So, please stay indoors. Exercise restraint and follow self-regulation. There have been many calls from various sectors since morning as soon as the new lockdown measures have been announced. Only you have the responsibility of breaking the chain. Please understand this is only for a week to reduce the case load. Only very essential industries can function and the rest can close," DC Rohini Sindhuri appealed.

Infections spread at homes

The District COVID managers have also observed that many persons who are under home isolation are moving around spreading the disease to others and also if one member of a family is infected, the entire family is infected as no precautions are followed. Also, as soon as a person gets symptoms, they are ignored till the condition deteriorates. "Early detection, isolation and early medical care are the only solutions," she said.

On the death rate in rural areas, the DC made an interesting observation. "K.R. Nagar was reporting over five to six deaths per day and when the reason was probed we came to know that many villagers sought the help of medical practitioners who did not follow the Government treatment protocols. Some were not registered medical practitioners. We closed down two to three such shops and warned the rest to strictly follow the Government treatment protocol. Now the death rate has drastically decreased," Rohini Sindhuri explained.

High positivity rate

Mysuru has over 40 to 41 percent positivity rate when compared to the State statistics. There are over 16,611 active cases in Mysuru as on today. "We are doing tests up to 5,000 per day and also doing symptomatic and targeted testing unlike mass testing that was done earlier. But the heartening factor here is that the death rate is low when compared to the State average. The State Case Fatality Rate (CFR) is 1.86 while Mysuru has a CFR of just 0.63. Mysuru is among the last four districts where the CFR is very low, the other districts being Davanagere, Chitradurga and Udupi. We are also highest in the State to meet vaccination targets," she revealed.

In rural areas, micro-containment zones are being opened and this has yielded good results in T. Narasipur Taluk where the case load has considerably decreased. "We have adopted similar strategy in Hunsur too and this also will be beneficial in decreasing the case load," Rohini Sindhuri added.

Blood Flower Supermoon Lunar Eclipse

seen from various parts of the nation and globe

Blood Flower Supermoon Penumbral Lunar Eclipse on May 26 was visible from most parts of India for a short span. This eclipse was visible in the region covering South America, North America, Asia, Australia, Antarctica, Pacific and Indian oceans. Partial or Penumbral Lunar Eclipse is not a mesmerising astronomical event, since it occurs every year.

But on May 26, everyone could see the blood supermoon, the biggest and brightest full moon of the year. On that day, the distance between Moon and Earth was 3,57,365 kilometers.

On May 26, 2021, the full moon swept through the Earth's dark umbral shadow, creating a total eclipse of the moon. This May full moon is 2021's closest (and therefore biggest and brightest) full moon of the year: a supermoon. On May 26, at Mysuru, the beginning and middle phases was not discernible but the ending phase of the Penumbral Eclipse was visible. But many parts of Karnataka was very cloudy.

Following first contact, the Moon's more easterly limb will show a growing dark "nick" as it begins to enter the umbra more deeply. At a total lunar eclipse, Moon takes about an hour to become completely immersed in the umbra. To begin with, there is little to see beyond a darkening of part of the Moon, but as the eclipsed portion increases, some colour may become evident.

The curved edge of the umbra may show a slight blue fringe. Refraction of sunlight — particularly at the red end of the spectrum — through Earth's atmosphere means that the umbra is not completely dark. Consequently, the Moon does not usually disappear from view; instead, it is dimmed and often takes on a reddish colour, which becomes increasingly apparent as the umbral phase advances. The diameter of Earth's umbra is thought by some to change in response to solar activity, perhaps decreasing at solar maximum as the upper atmosphere becomes slightly more extended in response to increased ultraviolet and X-ray emissions.

Many observers try to measure the precise extent of the umbra during eclipses by timing the passage of its edge across identifiable lunar features such as craters. Unless a lunar eclipse is very dark, it is usually quite easy to make out the dark Maria, contrasting with the brighter, cratered highlands, with the naked eye.

NOTE: *Snaps have been used wherein it was visible from South America, UAE, Dwarka, Gurgaon, Gujarat. Photo courtesy and report by Dr. S. A. Mohan Krishna, Amateur Astronomer, Mysuru.*

Waiting time at Toll Plazas not more than 10 seconds per vehicle: NHAI

New Delhi, May 27- In order to ensure smooth and quick passage of vehicles at the Toll Plazas, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has issued guidelines to ensure service time of not more than 10 seconds per vehicle even during peak hours at the Toll Plazas on the National Highways.

According to a press statement, the new guidelines will also ensure seamless flow of traffic at the Toll Plazas by not allowing vehicles to queue up more than 100 metres. Although at most of the Toll Plazas, there is no waiting time after mandatory 100 percent FASTag, even then if there is queue of waiting vehicles of more than 100 metres due to some reason, the vehicles will be allowed to pass without paying toll till the queue comes within 100 metres from the Toll Booth.

For this purpose, a yellow line at a distance of 100 metres from Toll Booth will be marked in each toll lane. This is to inculcate further sense of accountability in Toll Plaza operators.

Since NHAI has successfully transitioned to 100 percent cashless tolling from mid of February 2021, the overall FASTag penetration at NHAI Toll Plazas has reached 96 percent and stands at 99 percent at many Toll Plazas.

Keeping in view the growing Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) penetration in the country, it has been emphasised to have a new design and construct the upcoming Toll Plazas as per traffic projections for next 10 years to have an efficient toll collection system.

As social distancing has become the new normal, more and more commuters are opting to use FASTag as it removes the chances of any direct contact between the drivers and toll operators. The constant growth and adoption of FASTag by the Highway users is encouraging and has helped in bringing more efficiency in toll operations, the statement added.

Unaided Pvt. School teachers urge CM to announce special economic package

B.S. Yediyurappa

Bengaluru, May 27 (UNI) - Following closure of Schools and Colleges due to COVID-19 second wave, unaided Private School teachers, who have been facing financial crisis, went in a delegation led by Primary and Secondary Education Minister S. Suresh Kumar to meet Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa and sought special economic package.

In a memorandum submitted to the Chief Minister, it was stated that due to the financial crunch many educational institutions closed after COVID-19 first wave and now second wave. Even the parents refused to pay the fees, therefore the management found it difficult to handle the situation and not pay the salaries.

In order to save the teachers and non teaching staff facing financial difficulties, the State Government should announce a special economic package which was announced to others in the State, they urged.

The Chief Minister, in response to the memorandum, assured that the matter will be discussed in the Cabinet and also with the Finance Department and considered positively.

Mysuru gets 20 metric tonnes of oxygen

MP Pratap Simha thanks PM Modi

Narendra Modi *Pratap Simha*

Mysuru, May 27 (BCT)- Mysuru has got 20 metric tonnes of additional Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) oxygen yesterday and this is in addition of 20 metric tonnes that arrived on May 12. MP Pratap Simha has tweeted the arrival of LMO oxygen truck in city and has thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi for this.

Till now, the Centre has delivered 40 metric tonnes of LMO. There is no shortage of LMO in Mysuru and every day, 52 kilo litre oxygen is being fulfilled and whatever oxygen sanctioned from the Union Government will be used in Government Hospitals and for emergency, said B. Manjunath, the Nodal Officer for oxygen supply in Mysuru.

He said that there are 3,250 oxygenated beds in Mysuru and of them, 100 to 150 beds are unoccupied. "We are ensuring that five to 10 kilo litres of LMO are always in stock to meet any emergencies. Based on the request from hospitals, we are supplying oxygen to them," he added.

Transport Dept. to credit Rs.3,000 as relief for eligible vehicle drivers

Lakshman Savadi

Bengaluru, May 27 (KMS&DM)- Deputy Chief Minister Lakshman Savadi, who is also the Transport Minister, said that the Transport Department was ready to credit Rs. 3,000 to each of the eligible Auto, Cab and Taxi drivers affected by the COVID crisis, as one-time relief.

Speaking to presspersons here yesterday, Savadi said that in order to credit relief already announced by the Government, the Transport Department will receive applications through Seva Sindhu portal starting from Thursday (May 27). Pointing out that the relief amount will be credited directly to the accounts of the beneficiaries, he appealed the vehicle drivers to make use of this relief, which the Government has announced taking into consideration their plight.

He further said that last year too when the COVID contagion broke out, the Department had distributed relief to thousands of eligible drivers across the State.

MYSORE TRAIN TIMINGS

FROM MYSURU RAILWAY STATION TOWARDS KSR BENGALURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Mysuru Departure	Bengaluru Arrival	Days of Service	
06518	Mangaluru	KSR Bengaluru	05.50	08.40	Fri, Sun & Tue	Fully reserved
07326	Mysuru	Belagavi	05.50	08.40	Daily	Unreserved
06558	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	06.10	09.15	6 days a week except Sunday	Unreserved
06229	Mysuru	Varanasi	07.20	09.55	Tue & Thu	Fully reserved
02975	Mysuru	Jaipur	10.40	12.55	Thu & Sat	Fully reserved
02578	Mysuru	Darbhanga	10.40	13.20	Friday	Fully reserved
06201	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	11.30	14.00	Daily	Partially unreserved
06315	Mysuru	Kochuveli	12.50	16.35	Daily	Fully reserved
07307	Mysuru	Bagalkot	13.30	16.30	Daily	Fully reserved
06258	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	13.45	17.00	Daily	Unreserved
02786	Mysuru	Kacheguda	15.15	17.55	Daily	Fully reserved
06535	Mysuru	Solapur	15.45	18.30	Daily	Fully reserved
06232	Mysuru	Mayiladuturai	16.30	18.45	Daily	Fully reserved
06236	Mysuru	Tuticorin	18.20	21.05	Daily	Fully reserved
06210	Mysuru	Ajmer	18.35	21.30	Tue & Thu	Fully reserved
06582	Mysuru	Hubballi	19.00	21.55	Daily	Fully reserved
06227	Mysuru	Talguppa	19.30	22.30	Daily	Fully reserved
06022	Mysuru	Chennai	21.00	23.45	Daily	Fully reserved
08118	Mysuru	Howrah	23.45	02.05	Sunday	Fully reserved

STAR OF MYSORE Service to readers

DEPARTING FROM KSR BENGALURU AND ARRIVING MYSURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Bengaluru Departure	Mysuru Arrival	Days of Service	
08117	Howrah	Mysuru	00.30	03.15	Sunday	Fully reserved
06209	Ajmer	Mysuru	03.30	06.00	Tue & Sun	Fully reserved
06021	Chennai	Mysuru	03.55	06.40	Daily	Fully reserved
06228	Talguppa	Mysuru	04.30	07.45	Daily	Fully reserved
06231	Mayiladuturai	Mysuru	05.55	08.40	Daily	Fully reserved
06581	Hubballi	Mysuru	06.20	09.20	Daily	Fully reserved
02785	Kacheguda	Mysuru	06.45	09.40	Daily	Fully reserved
06235	Tuticorin	Mysuru	07.00	09.55	Daily	Fully reserved
06536	Solapur	Mysuru	07.50	11.00	Daily	Fully reserved
06316	Kochuveli	Mysuru	08.45	11.20	Daily	Fully reserved
06257	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	09.20	12.45	Daily	Unreserved
07308	Bagalkot	Mysuru	11.15	13.50	Daily	Fully reserved
02976	Jaipur	Mysuru	13.00	15.45	Wed & Fri	Fully reserved
06202	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	15.15	17.45	Daily	Partially unreserved
07325	Belagavi	Mysuru	17.45	20.40	Daily	Partially unreserved
02577	Darbhanga	Mysuru	18.40	21.40	Thursday	Fully reserved
06557	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	19.00	22.10	6 days a week except Sunday	Unreserved
06517	KSR Bengaluru	Mangaluru	20.30	23.05	Wed, Fri & Sun	Fully reserved
06230	Varanasi	Mysuru	23.30	02.15	Mon & Sat	Fully reserved

TOWARDS HUBBALLI AND BACK VIA HASSAN, ARSIKERE, DAVANGERE & HAVERI

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service	
06213	Arsikere	Mysuru	05.00	09.25	Daily	Unreserved
06214	Mysuru	Arsikere	18.20	22.25	Daily	Unreserved
01036	Mysuru	Dadar	06.15	05.30 (next day)	Sunday	Fully Reserved
01035	Dadar	Mysuru	21.30	21.40 (next day)	Thursday	Fully Reserved
06225	Mysuru	Arsikere	10.15	13.20	Daily	Unreserved
06226	Arsikere	Mysuru	13.25	16.50	Daily	Unreserved
07301	Mysuru	Dharwad	22.30	08.05	Daily	Fully Reserved
07302	Dharwad	Mysuru	20.50	07.05	Daily	Fully Reserved

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For battery operated vehicle facility call Mob: 97316-18884

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Centre supplies additional 29,250 vials of Amphotericin B drug to States

Bengaluru, May 27 (UNI)- Union Minister for Chemicals and Fertilisers D.V. Sadananda Gowda on Wednesday said that an additional 29,250 vials of Amphotericin B drug, which is vital to cure black fungus infection, has been allocated to all States and Union Territories.

In a series of tweets, the Minister gave the description about the supply of Amphotericin B: "Additional 29,250 vials of #Amphotericin- B drug, used in treatment of #Mucormycosis, have been allocated to all the States/ UTs on Wednesday. The allocation has been made based on the number of patients under treatment which is 11,717 across the country."

Earlier, 19,420 vials of Amphotericin B were allocated on May 24 and 23,680 vials of the drug were supplied across the country on May 21.

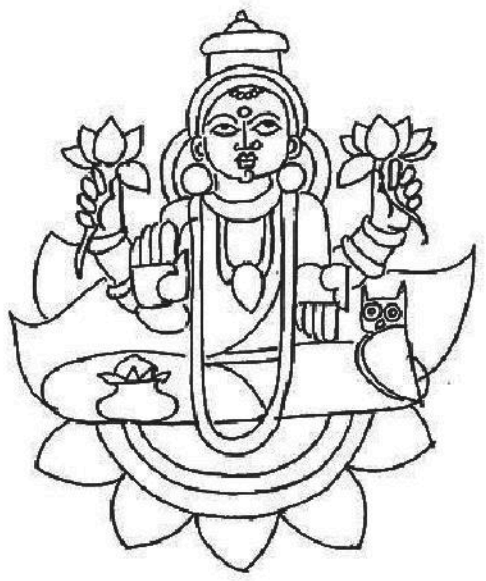
According to the Union Minister, additional 1,220 vials of Amphotericin B have been allocated for around 481 patients who are under treatment for Black Fungus in Karnataka. The demand for Amphotericin B has grown manifold in the State with cases appearing in many districts.

Doctors have expressed concern over the growing cases of mucormycosis, which was a very rare phenomena previously and now appearing as a post-COVID complication.

DECODING MYTHOLOGY

Dr. Devdutt Pattanaik - Author, Speaker, Illustrator, Mythologist

Lakshmi's Purana



We often assume that a *Purana* is a Sanskrit text that is known across India. That is not true. Take, for example, the *Lakshmi Purana*, which Balaram Das wrote in Oriya in the 15th century. It speaks of an event that took place in Puri, where the great temple complex of Jagannath (Krishna) stands.

In the temple, Krishna grants audience to his devotees along with his sister, Subhadra, and his brother, Balabhadra, much to the annoyance of his wife, Lakshmi, who is no where to be seen in the main shrine. This temple is famous for its kitchen where vast amounts of food are cooked for the pleasure of the enshrined Krishna. Here he goes on annual chariot rides and boat rides along with his siblings. Here Krishna also performs many rituals, including *shraadha* in the month of *Margashisha*, during which he makes funeral offerings to his parents (Aditi-Kashyapa, Kaushalya - Dashrath, Yashoda - Nanda, Devaki - Vasudev). And every twelve or so years the deities 'die' (there is even a cremation ground for them) and are reborn.

Before going further into the story, it is important to remember, that traditional storytellers did not look upon deities as historical or supernatural beings; they were living beings who lived ordinary lives amongst ordinary people to communicate sublime, or shall we say, extraordinary, ideas.

One day, Balabhadra saw Lakshmi entering the house of a sweeper woman. He declared that she had been contaminated and orders his younger brother not to let her into the house. Krishna obeys and shuts the door of the temple. In the days that follow, to the great alarm of the divine siblings, no food is offered to them.

On enquiry, they discover there is no food being cooked in the kitchen as all vegetables and fruits and cereals and pulses and spices have disappeared from the pantry and the market. There is not even a drop of water to drink. The siblings trace this catastrophe to their rejection of Lakshmi.

Eventually Krishna apologises to his wife and begs her to return to the temple. The siblings have learned that notions of contamination and pollution make no sense to the Goddess of Wealth. Food will satisfy without discrimination the hunger of all, be it a sweeper, a king or a God.

In other words, food is *satya*, truth independent of human opinion. Notions of contamination, which is the hallmark of the caste system, is *mithya*, dependent of human opinion.

This Puranic story is anything but Brahmanical or patriarchal. This automatically does not mean it is a Marxist, subaltern or feminist text as many academicians have suggested. It is certainly not a directive, instructive, prescriptive text, like the Bible or the Declaration of Human Rights. It is reflective. It questions the relationship between social hierarchies and the distribution of food, widens our perspectives and draws attention to the divide between *mithya* and *satya*.

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City's neighbourhood thinks on its feet

How this tiny Colony dodged the COVID bullet so far

Call it BLIND BELIEF or SUPERSTITION, these residents gave up meat for five weeks!

Mysuru, May 27 (RKB&BCT)- At a time when people roam around the city thoroughfares citing one excuse or other even during lockdown amidst lathi-wielding Policemen, here is a small Colony that has imposed self-lockdown and has been so far able to keep the COVID virus at bay.

Not a single case has been reported from Yellamma Colony near Bannimantap while its neighbouring Saibaba Colony has reported a couple of Coronavirus infections. So much so that when all other residents queued up in front of meat and fish shops and bought fresh and dry stocks whenever meat shops are open, this Colony did not eat meat for five weeks after taking a vow and spent their time praying the Colony's presiding deities Yellamma Devi and Chamundeshwari Devi.

Along with a strong spiritual belief that gave them a lot of will power, the Colony residents imposed a self-lockdown where outsiders were barred from entering. Even movement from the Colony to the outside world was restricted and the entire boundary was fenced. Even pigs and poultry could not cross the boundaries due to thick net fencing.

The residents depend on the Government Fair Price Shop for rations and a lone vegetable shop in the Colony for their food needs. They do not venture out to purchase rations. When they stopped eating non-vegetarian food, it was a strict compliance and even the vegetable curry was without seasoning. Anyone violating this rule and ate meat, fish or eggs during the vow period was warned of penal action.

"Ever since we have taken and performed a vow that we will abstain from eating meat, we are all healthy and the virus has not entered the Colony and none

of us have the symptoms," said S. Nagappa, the President of the Colony.

VOW ENDED ON MAY 25

The five-week vow ended on May 25 and on that day, *Abhisheka* of 101 tender coconuts was performed to the deity and curd rice *prasadam* was served to the children. On the last day too, they did not eat meat. Colony social worker Ramesh said that while the neighbouring area had many COVID-positive persons, the Yellamma Colony did not have even a single case.

The residents have a strong belief that the five-week meat renunciation is the reason for this. There are over 200 people residing in the Colony and 80 houses belong to Koramashetty community that usually depend on piggery for livelihood. Women sell bamboo baskets and also trade human hair for artificial braids. Some men also dress up as spiritual characters and earn alms.

Due to the lockdown, the regular food waste collection to feed pigs by the Colony residents from hotels and restaurants has stopped. They are not even getting vegetable and fruit waste from the markets. Several of them have sold the pigs as they cannot feed them with food waste nor can they buy expensive animal feed.

VACCINE HESITANCY

As many of the villagers follow superstitious beliefs, they do not trust vaccination to cure COVID-19. Thanks to many misinformation campaigns, the villagers believe that vaccines would cause allergic reactions. Only six to seven persons above 60 years of age have got the jabs and a majority of the people in the Colony are between 18 and 44 years and none of those above 45 years of age have come forward to get vaccinated.

MCC Ward 8 Corporator **Akmal Pasha**, under whose jurisdiction the Yellamma Colony comes, said that he has tried to convince the residents along with health workers to get vaccinated. His efforts proved futile and he even offered Rs. 3,000 per person to get vaccinated. Still, the residents did not budge.

Interest in occult booms during COVID times

Many bank on black magic to keep virus at bay instead of seeking medical help

Mysuru, May 27 (SBD&BCT)- At a time when the whole world, country, State and city have been facing the Coronavirus crisis, there is evidence of black magic being performed with a belief that black magic or the occult would save the practitioners and their families and also people seeking relief from the jaws of death.

While interest in the occult during COVID-induced lockdown has increased as proven by many online discussions and posts on various social media platforms, in the ground level too we get evidences of black magic in street corners or even main roads where broken ash-gourd sprinkled with kumkum and vermillion are generally found.

Some even have gone a step ahead by tying footwear to their doors and to the trees in their compound to keep the virus at bay. Meander on any street of Mysuru, one can find lemon cut into half with kumkum sprinkled inside and also at a particular radius of the lemon pieces or one can find broken ash-gourd, small mud pots filled with weird stuff, eggs broken on the middle of the road, coconuts tied with black threads, etc.

SEEKING REMEDY FROM QUACKS

These objects not only scare the onlooker but also make him think that evil time has indeed descended on earth. This belief forces him/her to approach quacks and black magicians seeking remedy. Shockingly, even educated

and so called followers of rationalists fall prey to this practice. In case they fall ill, the first person they would seek a remedy is either a quack or black magician, not a doctor.

The COVID pandemic has thrown light on how quacks and black magic practitioners govern the lives of people and how this is costing dearly. They are working overtime suggesting ways and activities based on superstition to protect people from COVID while giving them a non-working alternative to healthcare system — this despite the fact that doctors are risking their own lives to save patients.

From placing slippers at doors to burning coconuts outside the house and to forming mustard oil circles around the houses to wearing neem and tulsi leaves and stem around the neck, several strange remedies are being suggested by the quacks.

AN EXPENSIVE AFFAIR

The services of black magic practitioners who perform what is called in local Kannada lingo 'maata', which is believed to ward off evils, are not cheap. People cough up anywhere between Rs.20,000 and Rs. 1.5 lakh and there are many cases of the gullible being cheated.

There is a strong network of people who cheat after promising instant solution or a 'sure solution' in 10 days. Some even promise full refund of money if the problem does not get solved within stipulated time. This promise of refund makes people to approach them and the fact of the matter is that the money never gets refunded. Rather more money is fleeced in the name of a definite solution.

Taking the online data into consideration, since March last year, more and more people have been talking about astrology and the occult online. Interestingly, these conversations that were negative before February 2020 suddenly became positive — full praises for the occult practices to ward off the evil. The same trend has continued this year too. Events like blood supermoon and penumbral lunar eclipse have only further fuelled the online discussion.

WORD OF THE DAY

Judder

Pronunciation: juhd-er.
Meaning: To vibrate violently.
Origin: Judder as a verb means "to vibrate or shake violently," and as a noun, "violent shaking." It was first recorded in 1926 and refers to the shaking of automobiles (or their parts); it was later applied to aircraft. Judder has no precise etymology: it may be a combination of jolt or jerk and shudder, or it may be a variant pronunciation of shudder.
Example: Huw stalks through both sets of automatic doors, which judder and groan. —Cory Doctorow And Charles Stross, The Rapture Of The Nerds, 2012

THE ODD WORD

Aboideau

Tide gate.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Canteen culture

Meaning: The colloquial name for the conservative and discriminatory attitudes held by some sections of the British Police forces.
Origin: This term is generally applied to describe the attitudes of some of the lower ranks of the British Police force, who resist change and are comfortable with what the inquiry into the murder of Stephen Lawrence called the Metropolitan Police's 'institutional racism'. It is also used, though less often, with regard to the UK armed forces and prison service.
The phrase began to be used in the late 1980s. The first citation is located from The Listener, October 1987:
"Their training has covered the thorny question of relationships inside the police station under the powerful influence of 'canteen culture'."

QUOTE BOX

I measure the progress of a community by the degree of progress which women have achieved. **— Dr. B. R. Ambedkar**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Emit Emit

Answer: About time too.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Melt or soften
5 502, in Rome
8 Charitable relief
12 Turn of a wheel
14 Place; stead
15 Final speech
16 Hardy variety of cabbage
17 Long playing records, in short
18 Common mineral that's a form of silica
20 American lake
23 Spiral lock of hair
24 Did in?
25 Culinary art
28 Of or belonging to us
29 Main artery
30 Sea-eagle variant
32 Quicksilver?
34 ___ oneself : do as one pleases?
35 Lively or flippant
36 People of Holland
37 Peace Nobelist of '71
40 "A" in IAF ?
41 Put to rest
42 Balderdash
47 ___ the damage : reverse the harm done, in a way?
48 Poll
49 Dutch cheese
50 Evergreen tree
51 Talks noisily or foolishly

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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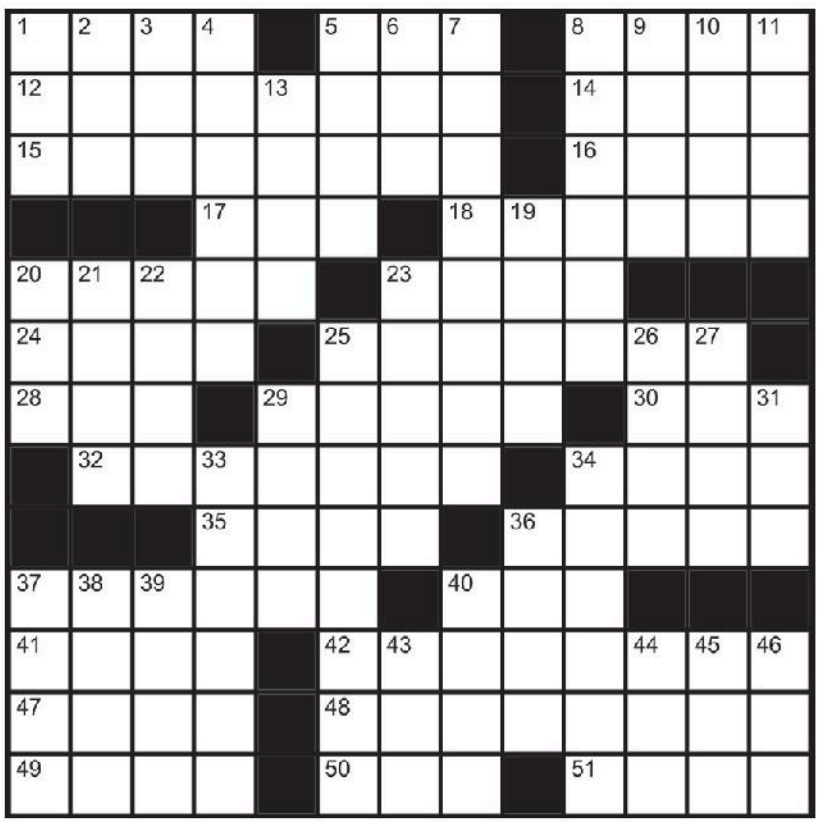
DOWN

1 Three in Italy
2 Leap on one foot
3 Air Transport Indicator
4 Roll about in mud?
5 Accommodation
6 I owe you, in short
7 Unfairness
8 Opposite of 29 Dn
9 He seldom tells the truth
10 Change from solid state to liquid state
11 Major canal
13 Overdrink
19 Major or minor in the sky?
20 Tech. Std. Order
21 An astringent
22 This is the place
23 Indian spicy food preparation
25 Former West Indies paceman ___ Walsh
26 Gender abbr.
27 "Rice" anagram for a boy's name?
29 Corrosive chemical?
31 To the ___ degree (the ultimate)
33 Without pattern
34 Guarantee
36 Flat circular plate
37 Red, white and.....
38 Ayn ___ of Fountainhead fame
39 Verdi opera
40 Once more
43 Spanish cry of encouragement or cheer
44 Actress ___ Peeples
45 A piece of bread that has been soaked in liquid
46 Abstract being?



SUDOKU

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		8		5	2			6
9		6	2					
	7				3		6	
		5	4			3		

Answer to previous puzzle

2	7	1	3	9	8	6	4	5
9	8	4	2	6	5	7	1	3
5	6	3	1	7	4	8	2	9
8	1	7	5	4	9	3	6	2
6	3	2	8	1	7	9	5	4
4	5	9	6	3	2	1	7	8
1	2	5	7	8	3	4	9	6
7	9	8	4	5	6	2	3	1
3	4	6	9	2	1	5	8	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

HINPE, ITZM AGMK CNM QNFTAMP,

GCJM C UFWM IW AGMFN IHT.

TODAY'S CLUE: G EQUALS H

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: If everyone is thinking alike, then somebody isn't thinking.

Corporates, Hotels pitch in to help fight the pandemic

Satyaseelan, Executive Chef of Grand Mercure Mysore, handing over the thermometer boxes to Corporator Ashwath Gowda recently.

Shaji Mathew, Centre Head of Infosys Mysuru Campus and Past Chairman of CII Mysuru, handed over the Oxygen Concentrators and Cylinders to Deputy CM Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan recently as MLAs G.T. Devegowda and L. Nagendra, MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag, MCC Health Officer Dr. D.G. Nagaraj and others look on.

Mysuru, May 27 (KS) - After various organisations, associations, individuals and political leaders began helping the poor and the needy by providing groceries, food and other essentials, corporates and hotel industry too have pitched in to help the District Administration, MCC and the needy people by contributing necessary things to help keep the pandemic at bay.

Grand Mercure Mysore by Brigade Group has donated thermal screening thermometers to the MCC and also provided immunity boosting tablets for the underprivileged, as part of its efforts to help in the fight against the pandemic.

Thermometers were donated to MCC to support their door-to-door health screening programme in rural areas. In addition, the Hotel also provided fresh and organic vegetables along with immunity boosting tablets to be distributed to the underprivileged in the surrounding locality.

"The effect of the pandemic is being felt by everyone. These initiatives are our way of giving back to the society and serving the people in times of need. For guests staying with us too, we have ensured that maximum safety measures are implemented, including periodic sanitisation of rooms and public areas. We are certified under Accor's ALLSAFE label and follow the most stringent cleaning standards and operating protocols. We try to maximise digital payments and have even placed digital QR codes for menus in the rooms," said Sunaina Manerker, General Manager, Grand Mercure Mysore.

In order to help those who need self-isolation, Grand Mercure Mysore is offering a self-isolation package comprising a single occupancy deluxe room with nutritious Bento Box meals along with a discounted a-la-carte menu in a safe and bio-secure environment.

In addition to this, Grand Mercure Mysore is also offering a meal box week-on-week subscription facility which comprises a cyclic menu of nutritious, immunity boosting foods which are home delivered. This menu will include locally inspired dishes which are rich in vitamins and minerals.

CII Mysuru Members in a bid to support the District Administration in its fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, have donated two ventilators.

The ventilators were handed over by CII Chairman Pavan Ranga and Vice-Chairperson Supriya Salian to Mysore Medical College & Research Institute (MMC&RI) Dean and Director Dr. C.P. Nanjaraj in the presence of Dr. Dinesh and Dr. Mohan from the District Hospital at K.R. Hospital recently. The ventilators were sponsored by NR Group and Excelsoft Technologies.

Rajendra Babu and Rakesh Kommineni, Plant Managers from ITC Limited handing over the key of an ambulance to Deputy Chief Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan in city recently as MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag and others look on.

This apart, **Infosys** has donated 25 Oxygen Concentrators and Oxygen Jumbo Cylinders to Deputy Chief Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan and MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag.

ITC Limited has donated a fully loaded Ambulance, which was handed over to Deputy CM Dr. Ashwathnarayan and MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag.

Also, **Plansee India High Performance Materials Pvt. Ltd.** has donated 15 Oxygen Concentrators and 1,000 medicine kits to MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag to help COVID patients in Mysuru.

The CII has donated around 150 Hospital Beds and many emergency materials to the District COVID Hospital and has constituted a COVID Task Force to help the District Administration and also to help the patients.

Speaking about the current COVID situation, Pavan Ranga said, "It is a challenging time for all and hence it is very important for us to join hands and support our Government in this battle. I would also like to request citizens across the country to do their bit and follow the Government's directive very seriously. A simple task like washing hands, staying hygienic, ensuring social distancing is quintessential at this time."

Madikeri: A Kodagu origin Psychiatrist, settled in New Jersey, USA and gofundme.org have jointly donated medical equipment to Kodagu District COVID Hospital.

The Psychiatrist, Dr. Chottera Shobha Tuttu, a native of Guyya village near Siddapura and America's gofundme.org have donated 53 Oxygen Concentrators (5 lts. and 10 lts. capacity) to the District COVID Hospital, which was received by Dean of Kodagu Institute of Medical Sciences Dr. K.B. Cariappa in the presence of Dr. Sannuvanda Kaverappa of Napoklu, Dr. Vishal Kumar, Dr. Manjunath, Dr. Roopesh and others.

Dr. Kaverappa said that the doctors in the US had created a WhatsApp group and discussed with Kodagu Deputy Commissioner Charulatha Somal on helping the district and accordingly, 53 Oxygen Concentrators were donated by them, which was handed over to the Hospital.

He also said that because of the efforts of retired IAS Officer Avaremadanda K. Monnappa, the medical equipment was received from the US and Dr. Tuttu has sent these equipment for the benefit of COVID positive patients, who are undergoing treatment.

Supriya Salian, Vice-Chairperson of CII Mysuru and Managing Director of Plansee India HPM Pvt. Ltd. handing over the Oxygen Concentrators and Medicine Kit to MCC Commissioner in city.

City youth to represent
Commonwealth Youth Council

Mysuru, May 27 (KS) - Ajay Kashyap, a 26-year-old youth from Kuvempunagar in city, has been appointed as India's representative to the Commonwealth Youth Council (CYC) for the tenure of two years (2021-23) by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India.

Ajay Kashyap

Commonwealth Youth Council is the youth body of the Commonwealth of Nations, which comprise 54 countries across Asia, Pacific, Europe, Africa, Caribbean and the America.

Ajay will represent the country in the General Assembly of the CYC which works on four agendas — Economic, Environment, Political and Social Agenda.

In the coming two years, Ajay will be tasked with representing the views and aspirations of the youth of India amidst the Commonwealth Nations in the Commonwealth Youth Forum, that will be held on the sidelines of Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in Rwanda, Africa and other events where India will need to be represented.

Ajay is the son of K.G. Nagesh and Jyothi Nagesh. He has worked as a Senior Researcher in a New Delhi-based think tank, where he worked on policy issues concerning national security, international affairs and educational affairs, among others.

Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh big vaccine wasters, 1 in 3 doses wasted: Centre

New Delhi, May 27- Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh are wasting one out of every three vaccine doses and are the biggest vaccine wasters in the country, says Health Ministry data at a time vaccinations have slowed down or halted at several States because of the shortage of shots.

Jharkhand is the worst when it comes to wasting COVID shots, says the Health Ministry, adding that many States are complaining about the shortage of vaccines on one hand and allowing substantial stocks to go waste on the other. Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren has, however, disputed the data saying correct vaccination data could not be uploaded on the CoWin site because of glitches.

The national average of doses being wasted is 6.3 percent, the Health Ministry says.

"Whereas States have been urged repeatedly to keep vaccine wastage below one percent, many States such as Jharkhand (37.3%), Chhattisgarh (30.2%), Tamil Nadu (15.5%), Jammu and Kashmir (10.8 %) and Madhya Pradesh (10.7%) are reporting much higher wastage than the national average," officials say on the figures released last evening.

Chhattisgarh is second in wasting vaccines and Tamil Nadu is next, the data suggests. "In any big vaccination drive, some wastage is always factored in and that is used to buy and distribute vaccines. The Wastage Multiple Factor is very important in deciding these figures," say Health Ministry Officers. Reacting to the Health Ministry data, Jharkhand's Hemant Soren tweeted, "As per total vaccine doses availability with Government of Jharkhand till today, the current vaccine wastage proportion is only 4.65 percent."

According to the Health Ministry, vaccines are wasted because of factors like doses crossing the expiry date, getting destroyed by extreme heat or cold, or theft. When the vaccine is spoilt in the vials, it is either because the entire dose has not been injected or the open vial has been dropped into water. "States where there is the most vaccine wastage are clearly unable to run the vaccination drive effectively. A part of it is due to lack of awareness," officials say.

KEA Chairman condemns Congress Spokesperson's charge against MP

Mysuru, May 27 (YDS&DM)- Strongly condemning KPCC Spokesperson M. Lakshmana's charge that Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha had turned against Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri as she ordered shutting down of private COVID Care Centres, Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) Chairman Hemanth Kumar Gowda said that Lakshmana has made such allegations, unable to tolerate the MP's hard work in these trying times.

In a press statement, Hemanth Kumar Gowda said that the MP, though himself had tested positive for the deadly COVID-19 contagion, has been working hard for ensuring medical help to all the infected after coming out of home isolation.

Accusing the Congress of playing politics by not coming to the help of the infected through confidence-building measures, he said that the people of the State will teach a lesson to the Congress when the time comes.

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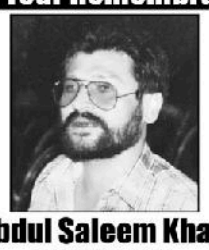

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Fondly remembered by
Wife: Chandramathi, Son, Daughters, Grand Children & Family Members

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HOD, Department of English,
St. Philomena's Degree College

passed away peacefully on 24th May 2021 due to brief illness.

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R. Raghu Kautilya
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Regrets to inform the sad demise of his beloved wife **Smt. Nirmala** on 18.5.2021.The Vaikuntha Samaaraadhane will be held on 28.05.2021, Friday at "Nirmala Dhama" near Mandakalli Airport, Nanjangud Road, Mysuru.
Bhushaanthi: 11.30 AM & Pooja: 01.00PM

Deeply mourned by: Children-Varnika.R, Kautilya.R, Relatives and Friends

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